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IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents as follows:

D4 1. (Amended) An isolated or purified polypeptide comprising at least one epitope or epitopic region of PspC.

PS 3. (Amended) The polypeptide of claim 1 wherein the epitope or epitopic region is selected from the group consisting of: the alpha helical region of PspC, the proline region of PspC, the combination of the alpha helical and proline regions of PspC, the entire PspC molecule, amino acid(s) (aa) 1-590 of PspC clade A, aa 1-204 of PspC clade A, aa 46-204 of PspC clade A, aa 1-295 of PspC clade A, aa 46-295 of PspC clade A, aa 1-454 of PspC clade A, aa 46-454 of PspC clade A, aa 204-454 of PspC clade A, aa 295-454 of PspC clade A, aa 1-590 of PspC clade A, aa 46-590 of PspC clade A, aa 204-590 of PspC clade A, aa 295-590 of PspC clade A, aa 454-590 of PspC clade A, aa 1-652 of PspC clade A, aa 46-652 of PspC clade A, aa 204-652 of PspC clade A, aa 295-652 of PspC clade A, aa 454-652 of PspC clade A, aa 590-652 of PspC clade A, aa 1-892 of PspC clade A, aa 46-892 of PspC clade A, aa 204-892 of PspC clade A, aa 295-892 of PspC clade A, aa 454-892 of PspC clade A, aa 590-892 of PspC clade A, aa 1-664 of PspC clade B, aa 1-375 of PspC clade B, aa 1-445 of PspC clade B, aa 1-101 of PspC clade B, aa 1-193 of PspC clade B, aa 1-262 of PspC clade B, aa 1-355 of PspC clade B, aa 101-193 of PspC clade B, aa 101-262 of PspC clade B, aa 101-355 of PspC clade B, aa 101-375 of PspC clade B, aa 101-455 of PspC clade B, aa 193-262 of PspC clade B, aa 193-355 of PspC clade B, aa 193-375 of PspC clade B, aa 193-445 of PspC clade B, aa 262-355 of PspC clade B, aa 262-375 of PspC clade B, aa 262-445 of PspC clade B, aa 355-375 of PspC clade B, aa 355-445 of PspC clade B, aa 375-445 of PspC clade B, aa 101-664 of PspC clade B, aa 193-664 of PspC clade B, aa 262-664 of PspC clade B, aa 355-664 of PspC clade B, aa 375-664 of PspC clade B, aa 1-end of proline subregion A of PspC, aa 1-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, aa 101-end of proline subregion A of PspC, aa 101-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, aa 193-end of proline subregion A of PspC, aa 193-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, aa 262-end of proline subregion A of PspC, aa 262-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, aa 355-end of proline subregion A of PspC, aa 355-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, aa 375-end of proline subregion A of PspC, or proline subregion A of PspC, aa 375-beginning of proline subregion B of PspC, proline subregion B of PspC, beginning of

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Pro proline subregion B-aa 664 of PspC, aa ~~263-482~~ of PspC, aa 1-445 of PspC, and, aa 255-445 of PspC.